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For: METHOD OF DIAGNOSING BONE )  
METASTASIS... ) Washington, D.C.  
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**REQUEST FOR STATUS**

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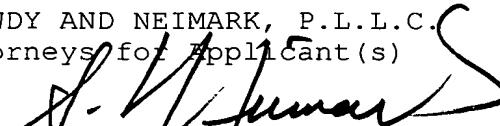
Applicant filed a Reply in this application on January 15, 2004, but have received no feedback from the Patent and Trademark Office. In accordance with the requirements of the Patent and Trademark Office, the applicants hereby make inquiry as to the status of the above-identified application.

As 37 CFR 1.2 states that the action of the PTO "will be based exclusively on the written record", applicant needs and therefore **requests a written reply.**

Respectfully submitted,

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